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IN THE SPECIFICATION  
Page 1, Lines 3-15:

This application relates to the following co-pending applications, each of which is incorporated herein by reference: U.S. Patent Application No. 09/579,070, filed May 25, 2000, by Doron Shaked et al., and entitled "A Method and Apparatus for Generating and Decoding a Visually Significant Bar Code;" U.S. Patent Application No. 09/429,515, filed October 28, 1999 by Renato Kresch et al., and entitled "System and Method for Counterfeit Protection;" U.S. Serial No. 09/728,292, filed December 1, 2000, by Jonathan Yen et al., and entitled "Authenticable Graphical Bar Codes;" U.S. Patent Application No. 09/578,843, filed May 25, 2000, by Doron Shaked et al., and entitled "Geometric Deformation Correction Method and System for Dot Pattern Images;" U.S. Serial No. 09/877517 [\_\_\_\_], filed on even date herewith, by Doron Shaked et al., and entitled "Fiducial Mark Patterns for Graphical Bar Codes" [ [Attorney Docket No. 10016689-1] ]; and U.S. Patent Application No. 09/877581 [\_\_\_\_], filed on even date herewith, by Jonathan Yen et al., and entitled "Automatically Extracting Graphical Bar Codes" [ [Attorney Docket No. 10015191-1] ].

4. (Once Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein each of the base image regions and the graphical templates has a [the] same number of pixels.

16. (Once Amended) The method of claim 15, wherein the weighted average of gray values is computed by fitting a mask to [the] dot locations over the given measurement block.

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